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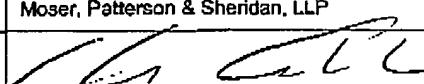
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Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CLEANING A SEMICONDUCTOR  
WAFER PROCESSING SYSTEM**

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In response to the Final Office Action dated November 4, 2002 (Paper No. 13), having an extendable shortened statutory period for response set to expire on February 4, 2003, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that no fee is due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782 for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

IN THE CLAIMS

## A) Please replace the indicated claims as follows:

6. (Amended) A computer-readable medium having stored thereon a plurality of instructions, the plurality of instructions including instructions which,